

How to make a **TREE- SAVING BOOK**

Teach kids how to be tree heroes. In recognition of Tree Check Month, make a tree book. Collect leaves from your trees and glue them to the pages. The ALB is a threat to hardwood trees, but your kids can help stop this pest.

Happy Tree Check Month!



Materials: clothespin, black spray paint, white acrylic paint, blue rubber bands, paint brush, black-and-white-striped pipe cleaners, hot glue gun, black-and-white sheets of paper, green "craft foam"



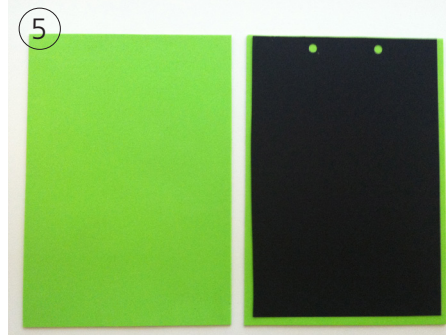
Use the spray paint to spray the clothespin black, both sides. Let dry. Paint white dots with the acrylic paint. You can use a jar lid for your paint tray.



Rubber band legs: Use the wide blue bands often found on broccoli in the produce section. Cut into strips and hot-glue to the clothespin back. Wrap and curl a pipe cleaner as shown, and hot-glue to the back.



Cut the black-and-white sheets of heavy paper or card stock to 6" x 9" (or cut letter-size paper into half sheets). Stack 10 sheets of a color to get a striped effect.



Cut 2 craft foam pieces to 6 1/2" x 9 1/4" (1/4" longer than paper on three sides) and, evening up the spine edge, use a hole puncher to punch two holes through all paper and foam.



Use a rubber band to affix the pin "bug" to the book. Lace the band through one hole from the back of the book. Hang onto the loop in back, and loop the band around the bug. Stretch the band behind and lace through the other hole, catching the pin at the other end.



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